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THE CHINESE SITUATION

Russians and English Resting on Their Arms and Situation More Encouraging.

Boers Rejection of Terms of Peace and Troubles at Tien Tsin Very Discouraging.

MAY YET UNDO ENGLAND

The Afternoon Papers are Inclined to be Very Pessimistic Over the Final Outcome

SENSATIONAL RUMOR DISCREDITED

New York, March 20.—(Bulletin)—A Tokio bulletin says: "Russian and Japanese warships are rushing to Korean

waters. Movements are very warlike."

Tien Tsin, March 20.—The situation today, after the several ominous-looking events of the week, is more encouraging. The Russians and English are resting on their arms and the prospects of a peaceful settlement of the differences are very bright.

NO FIGHTING YET.

London, March 20.—The sensational rumors of fighting between the British and Russians has not been confirmed and is discredited at the foreign offices. No trouble is expected.

PESSIMISTIC LONDON. London, March 20.—The afternoon papers are very pessimistic over Botha's rejection of peace terms and say that the trouble at Tien Tsin and the Boer war may yet prove England's undoing.

MAYFIELD CUTTING.

ALBERT FRANCIS MAY BE FATALITY WOUNDED—OTHER NEWS

Albert Francis, was seriously, if not fatally cut at the Mayfield factory in Mayfield yesterday by a man named Rogers. The men had a dispute over pressing a pair of pants and it was thought it was settled when Rogers slipped up behind him and stabbed him across the chest.

A petition for pardon is being circulated at Mayfield for Bud Yates, who was given two years for obtaining a woman.

Jim Lawrence, who was arrested for stealing from the Mayfield Woolen Mills, was yesterday indicted by the grand jury at Mayfield.

BUSINESS FAILURE.

CAUSED SUICIDE OF A PROMINENT MAN.

Yorkville, N. C., March 20.—John R. Asha, who was president of the York Cotton Mills, which failed yesterday, suicided today by jumping in a well.

SOCIETY LEADER.

ST. LOUIS MAN SUICIDES BY THE PISTOL ROUTE.

St. Louis, March 20.—H. C. Humphrey, a leader in social circles and noted as a oratorio singer, suicided by shooting himself today. No cause is known.

QUITE A DROP.

THIS IS PREDICTED FOR US TONIGHT.

Louisville, March 20.—A fifty degree drop in the temperature is predicted to come before tomorrow.

A NUISANCE BEING ABATED.

Street Inspector Utterback is today draining the much complained of pond between Fourth and Fifth and Elizabeth and Sixth streets, near the city hospital. It yielded a countless supply of crawfish.

Engineer J. J. Bornschein continues to improve rapidly at the railroad hospital, but it has not yet been deemed advisable to take him home.

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THE ELKS.

HEADQUARTERS FOR THE CAR-NIVAL COMMITTEE OPENED UP AT MR. A. C. ATKIN'S.

Today a plot of carnival grounds, which will embrace the territory between Seventh, Ninth, Broadway and Court streets, is being drafted by Mr. Conley, of Cleveland, Ohio, who arrived yesterday to assume general management of everything.

After this the work of arrangement of both space will be attended to. Headquarters for Mr. Conley and the Elks committee have been established at Mr. A. C. Atkins' office on North Third between Broadway and Jefferson.

WILL RESUME

MAYFIELD WOOLEN MILLS LOUISVILLE PLANT.

Louisville, March 20.—The Old Kentucky Woolen Mills will resume operations in about three weeks, giving employment to about 300 operatives, who were thrown out of employment when the mill shut down two years ago. The mill has just been purchased by the Mayfield Woolen Mills, of Mayfield, Ky., from Mr. G. W. Tarleton, of Louisville, who bought the mill at auction on February 12.

POLICE COURT.

A FEW CASES ONLY BEFORE JUDGE SANDERS TODAY.

The case against James Baldwin, colored, for stealing coal from the Illinois Central, was called in Judge Sanders' court today and dismissed.

Will Scott, who threw a stone through Charles Etter's back, was fined \$5 and costs.

Will Davis, colored, for using insulting language, was fined \$1 and costs.

GUN CLUB.

MEETING TOMORROW EVENING IN MAYOR LANG'S OFFICE.

The Paducah Gun club will meet tomorrow evening in Mayor Lang's office at the city hall to complete organization and hear reports from several important committees. All members are urged to be present.

BOOTLEGGERS CASE

CONTINUED. Bud Blanton and Walter Lee, of Hickman, Ky., arrested by Deputy United States Marshal Sanders for selling whisky without a government license, were arraigned before United States Commissioner Puryear today, but all the witnesses not having arrived, it was continued indefinitely.

ACTING NIGHT CLERK.

Mr. Wm. Smith is acting night clerk at the Palmer until Clerk Sam Nelson's position is filled.

Mr. J. W. Patterson, night police at Nashville, Ia., says: "In January I had a very bad cold on my lungs, and used half dozen different cough medicines and prescriptions from two doctors, but grew worse all the time. I finally bought a bottle of FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR and after using two-thirds of it, I was entirely cured." J. C. Gilbert.

The Rise of Steam Navigation.

The rise of steam navigation was slow. Like most new things, it had opposition. In the sixteenth century an unsuccessful Italian genius tried to apply steam to navigation. In 1784 a British patent was taken out for a steamboat. It was 1807 that witnessed Fulton sailing up the Hudson in a boat driven by steam. In 1838 steamships crossed the Atlantic.

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GAS PLANT SOLD

It Went to Mr. Thomas Coffee, of Peoria Ill., at \$66,200—Only One Other Bidder.

SMALL CROWD PRESENT

Several of the Bidders Could Not Come Up to the Required Amount and Dropped Out.

THE PLANT TO BE IMPROVED

The Paducah Gas company's plant on South Third street, between Monroe and Madison, was sold at noon today at the county court house to the highest bidder, and went to Mr. Thomas Coffee, of Peoria, Ill., for \$66,200. There was only one other bidder, Mr. J. W. R. Klein, of Cincinnati, representing the Shenke company, of Covington, Ky.

Mr. Coffee is a capitalist and purchased the plant for himself. The sale was conducted by the Hon. E. W. Bagby for Receiver S. A. Fowler, and twenty or more people, among them several local capitalists, were in attendance.

Among the visiting capitalists were: J. W. R. Klein, of Cincinnati; and Supt. W. R. Wines, of the Covington, Ky., gas plant. Mr. Thomas Coffee, of Peoria, Ill.; F. Lane, of Toledo, O.; W. F. Coons, of Cleveland, O.; J. Eichel and R. K. Dunkerson, of Evansville, who owned stock in the company, and their attorney, Mr. Geo. A. Cunningham.

Attorney Bagby read the order of sale, and explained that it was made June 5, 1900, in the United States court at Louisville.

The business of the old company belongs to the receiver until April 1. The purchaser was required to pay \$20,000 cash, and the remainder as the court, within twenty days, may direct. The property may be resold upon a failure to comply with any order of the court.

After these preliminary explanations were made and the order of sale read, the sale began.

The gentlemen occupied chairs near the east door of the court house in the cold, and there were only two bidders, which made it a somewhat dreary and uninteresting proceeding.

One or two of the gentlemen bid \$43,000, but Mr. Bagby informed them that under the order of sale no amount under \$60,000 could be considered.

These gentlemen did not bid again. Messrs. Coffee and Klein started the ball rolling at \$60,000, and raised \$50 or \$100 at a time until it reached \$66,200.

Mr. Klein declined to bid more and the property was knocked down to Mr. Coffee for that amount.

The gas plant is one of Paducah's oldest institutions, having been organized in 1853. It was for years the principal source of illumination for Paducah streets and residences, but electricity and a failure to keep pace with the times caused it to deteriorate in value and importance until a year or two ago its affairs necessitated its going into the hands of a receiver, Mr. S. A. Fowler being the receiver appointed by the court.

The property is valuable, however, and it is understood will be materially improved.

Several miles of mains will be laid and \$30,000 or \$35,000 will be spent in improvements.

Mr. Coffee will not assume charge

until April 1, and as yet has made no definite arrangements.

Mr. Coffee was formerly president of the Peoria Gas plant, but sold out January 1. He will return to Paducah in about four days to complete arrangements for assuming charge. Mr. Lane, of Toledo, O., will probably be his superintendent.

His policy is to increase facilities, make friends of the public, and furnish cheaper gas. It is certain Mr. Coffee will make a good citizen.

MEDICAL SOCIETY.

A MEETING WILL BE HELD TONIGHT WITH DR. STEWART AND WILLIAMSON.

The Paducah Medical and Surgical society will meet tonight with Dr. Stewart and Williamson on Broadway, and Dr. Stewart will read a paper on "Contract Prices."

In regard to this question which is now agitating the minds of the doctors, a prominent physician said today: "Representatives of local unions have asked for bids for doing work for the members of the unions. It is understood that they want to let the lowest bidder do all the work for the members."

"The medical society is in itself a sort of union, and we have, or should have, uniform prices. To deviate from these prices is contrary to the ethics of the profession and the labor unions should consider the fact that the same laudable spirit that prompts them to keep up their own standard of prices, prevents the members of the Medical society from making any reduction in their rates."

"But there is more to be discussed under the subject of 'contract prices.' It is understood some doctors have been cutting rates, and this matter will be taken up. It is said that some have contracts with corporations to do all practice for employees at greatly reduced rates, and this matter will also be taken up."

DEATH IN MARSHALL

AN AGED RESIDENT SUCCUMBS TO OLD AGE TODAY.

Mr. Campbell Parker, aged 91, died today from old age at his home near Benton, Ky. He was one of the best known residents of Marshall county. His wife died about 10 years ago, but he leaves several children, as follows: Sid Parker, Fulton; Mrs. F. A. Higgins, Marshall county; Dr. Geo. Parker, Arkansas; Mr. John Parker, Texas; W. F. Parker, West.

The funeral will take place at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning at Benton.

ILLINOIS COUPLE.

PEOPLE FROM SPRINGFIELD MARRIED THIS AFTERNOON.

W. W. Follis, aged 38, and Mrs. J. E. McFarland, aged 34, of Springfield, Ill., arrived on the St. Louis train this morning and were married this afternoon.

The groom is a farmer, and it is his first marriage. It is her second venture. It is understood they are cousins.

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MARKET REPORT

Today's Quotations. (Market quotations furnished by Van Dusen & Sons, of the Paducah Commission company, 113 South Third street, received over their special wire to the Chicago board of trade and New York cotton and stock exchange. Telephone 431.)

WHEAT—				
Mar...	70½	High	Low	Close
May...	70½			77
July...	70½			76½
CORN—				
Mar...	41½			40
May...	41½			41½
OATS—				
Mar...	25½			25
May...	25½			25½
PORK—				
Mar...	16.50			16.75
May...	16.50			16.90
LARD—				
Mar...	7.82			7.87
May...	7.82			7.87
RIBS—				
Mar...	7.67			7.70
May...	7.67			7.70
N. Y. COTTON				
Mar...	8.07			8.05
May...	8.15			8.07
July...	8.10			8.07
Aug...	7.90			7.84
Sept...	7.49			7.38
Dec...	7.81			7.29
N. Y. STOCKS				
Sugar...	141½			140½
B. R. E...	82½			85½
A. M. T...	137½			127
A. S. W...	49½			47½
P. S...	48½			47½
L. & N...	7.00			7.00

METROPOLIS NOTES.

KENTUCKY COUPLES MARRY THERE—OTHER NOTES OF INTEREST.

Mr. W. H. Morton and Miss Emma Johnson, and Mr. Dudley Robertson and Miss Azilee Johnson, of Maxon's Mills, this county, were married in Metropolis. The brides are sisters.

Mr. J. Fred Jones, of Standard, Ill., who conducted a successful revival at the Metropolis Christian church, was in the city last evening on route to Calvert City to visit relatives.

Arrangements have just been completed to finish the United Brethren church at Hamlettsburg, Ill. The foundation was laid some time ago.

Judge George Sawyer and niece, Mrs. Lyman Wilson, Jr., of Metropolis, were in the city last evening.

The Metropolis papers say that there is a probability of a big manufacturing concern employing 80 or more people, coming to Metropolis. A representative of the factory is expected there in a few days. Capt. Kerr, secretary of the Metropolis Business Men's association, has visited the plant and is pleased with it.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

Registered at the Palmer: John J. Benson, Newport, Ky.; John H. Mackie, Cincinnati; W. O. Brown, Chicago; J. E. Smith, Grahamsville; Walter R. Wears, S. Homberger, New York; W. C. Fowles, Dyersburg, Tenn.; C. H. Rainey, Caruthersville, Mo.; R. H. Driskill, Union City; J. G. Henry, Louisville.

Registered at the New Richmond: Misses Della Tindall, Bell Powell, Hamlettsburg, Ill.; J. W. Gilbert, Murray; W. A. McCuan, Dresden, Tenn.; Raymond Wilson, Crossland, Ky.; W. C. Waggoner, Central City; W. Ames, Central City; J. J. Spicer and wife, Hampton, Ky.

BASEBALL TEAM ORGANIZED.

An amateur baseball club has just been organized here and named the Brookhills. It is composed of the following: Ed Long, James Simpson, Bert Middlebarst, Will Russell, George Barlickman, Wm. McCormack, George Graft, Mike Convey and Arthur Johnson.

MADISONVILLE'S NARROW ESCAPE

Fire Last Night Made Things Look Dangerous for the Town at One Time.

Every Citizen Was Called on to Help Fight the Blaze and Persistency Won.

POPULATION OUT EN MASSE

The Situation Was So Threatening It Was Deemed Necessary to Call on Neighboring Towns,

THE LIST OF DAMAGED PROPERTY

ZENDA CLUB'S DANCE.

Madisonville, Ky., March 20.—This city has escaped what appeared at one time last night, a destruction of the place. At 7 o'clock a fire was discovered in the Les Williams tobacco factory occupied by Bulke and Lancaster, and the fire communicated to adjacent buildings, being fanned by a fierce March wind; at that time the outlook for Madisonville was discouraging in the extreme. The wind blew directly in the direction of the business center. So threatening was the situation it was deemed best to call for help from neighboring cities. Our department was prompt, but was inadequate for handling such a fire. The Williams factory was soon consumed, and one after another adjoining buildings fell before the ruthless flames. The population turned out en masse, and every able-bodied citizen was willing to contribute in any possible way to the saving of exposed property. Nobly did the men of the department do the work before them, but such a fire the most persistent labor of a well

trained department supplied with all the necessary appliances could only have stemmed the tide. Most fortunately a short time after the breaking out of the fire, the wind changed its course in an opposite direction, and by this more than anything else, was the city saved from destruction. Buildings destroyed were: Barnes' Cooperage shop, Coleman's cooper shop, Exchange Hotel, Holman's tobacco factory, J. H. Young's residence and warehouse, W. J. Barnes' livery stable, a two story brick residence occupied by negroes, W. B. Smith's residence and warehouse and others. Loss about \$40,000, partially insured.

The Zenla club's dance at the K. of P. hall last night was very enjoyable, and the following were present: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hinkle, Mr. and Mrs. Clint Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. James Foster, Misses Luna Lemon, Myrtle Bryant, Carrie Grace, May V. Patterson, Byrdie Gilbert, Anne Street, Messrs. Harry Fisher, Chas. Fisher, Chas. Sugars, Will Epstein, Alvin Barclay, Edwin Thompson, Harry Swain, Roscoe Puryear, Leon Gleaves, Burble Jenkins, Parker Chastaine and E. B. Jones.

DEAN'S BAND NOT AN APPLICANT.

There was talk of Dean's band acting as regimental band for the approaching encampment of state guards, and Prof. Dean was asked to make a statement furnishing the music. Since then, however, it has been announced that the regimental band must have a drum major, and Dean's band never had one, this lets the band out of the contest.

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